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SUBJECT:ACCESS OF WARSAW PACT NATIONS' FISHING VESSELS TO  
US PORTS

REF: US NATO 931

1. US/USSR AGREEMENT ON FISHERIES PROBLEMS IN MIDDLE ATLANTIC WHICH WILL BE SIGNED FEBRUARY 26 PROVIDES FOR ENTRY OF UP TO FOUR SOVIET FISHING, FISHERY RESEARCH AND FISHERY SUPPORT VESSELS PER MONTH INTO EACH OF PORTS OF BOSTON, BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA AND NEW YORK. COMPARABLE PACIFIC  
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COAST AGREEMENT PROVIDES FOR ENTRY OF UNRESTRICTED NUMBER

OF VESSELS INTO PORTS OF SEATTLE, PORTLAND AND HONOLULU. ENTRY IS SUBJECT TO FOUR DAYS' ADVANCE NOTICE. CREW LISTS FOR MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS OF SIX-MONTHS VALIDITY MUST BE SUBMITTED A MINIMUM OF FOURTEEN DAYS IN ADVANCE OF FIRST ENTRY. ENTRY MAY BE TO REPLENISH SHIPS STORES OR FRESH WATER, OBTAIN BUNKERS, PROVIDE REST FOR OR MAKE CHANGES IN PERSONNEL OF VESSELS (THOUGH NOT CREW ROTATION) AND OBTAIN MINOR REPAIRS AND OTHER SERVICES NORMALLY PROVIDED IN SUCH PORTS. NO FOREIGN FISHING VESSELS ARE PERMITTED TO LAND THEIR CATCH IN U.S. PORTS.

2. US/ROMANIAN AGREEMENT CONTAINS SIMILAR PROVISIONS FOR ENTRY OF UP TO THREE VESSELS PER MONTH INTO PORTS OF BALTIMORE, NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA. ROMANIAN AGREEMENT CONTAINS ADDITIONAL PROVISION FOR CREW ROTATION.

3. US/POLISH AGREEMENT CONTAINS SIMILAR PROVISIONS FOR ENTRY OF UP TO SIX VESSELS PER MONTH INTO PORT OF BOSTON AND OF UNRESTRICTED NUMBER OF VESSELS INTO PORTS OF BALTIMORE, CAMDEN, NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA. POLISH AGREEMENT DOES NOT PROVIDE FOR CREW ROTATION.

4. SINCE US DOES NOT PERMIT ENTRY OF FISHING VESSELS OF WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES NOT HAVING BILATERAL FISHERIES AGREEMENTS IN FORCE, GDR AND BULGARIAN FISHING VESSELS DO NOT CALL AT US PORTS.

5. IN CASE OF EMERGENCIES, RIGHT AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY FOR FISHING VESSELS OF ALL WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES ARE CONSIDERED ON CASE BY CASE BASIS.

6. US EXPERIENCE HAS REVEALED MINIMAL INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITY CONNECTED WITH PORT CALLS BY FISHING VESSELS. POLISH FISHING SHIPS PAY MANY AND ROMANIAN SHIPS SOME PORT CALLS; HOWEVER, VERY FEW SOVIET FISHING VESSELS CALL AT US PORTS OWING TO THREAT OF ATTACHMENT FOR CLAIMS OF US FISHERMEN FOR GEAR DAMAGE ON HIGH SEAS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT THE CALLS OF SOVIET AND POLISH MERCHANT VESSELS TO US PORTS ARE FAR MORE NUMEROUS THAN THOSE OF FISHING VESSELS. KISSINGER  
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